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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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11 **SAFARI CLUB INTERNATIONAL, et al.,**  
12 Plaintiffs,  
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14 v.  
15 **ROB BONTA, in his official capacity as**  
**Attorney General of the State of California,**  
16 **et al.,**  
17 Defendants.  
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2:22-cv-01395-DAD-JDP

**JOINT STATUS REPORT**

Judge: The Honorable Dale A. Drozd  
Trial Date: None set  
Action Filed: August 5, 2022

19 Plaintiffs and Defendant submit this joint status report in accordance with the Court's  
20 November 12, 2025 Minute Order, ECF No. 58 (Order).

21 Since this Court's Order, the parties have continued to actively engage in settlement  
22 negotiations and have made significant progress. In light of these ongoing settlement discussions  
23 and the uncertainty regarding how much time the parties will require to complete those  
24 discussions, the parties propose that the Court order them to file a further joint status report within  
25 45 days and continue the status conference currently set for January 26, 2026. The parties ask the  
26 Court to not set other deadlines at this time.

27 The parties also note again for the Court's awareness that in the related case of *Junior*  
28 *Sports Magazines v. Bonta*, the district court has entered a preliminary injunction enjoining



1 enforcement of the entirety of California Business & Professions Code section 22949.80, the  
2 same statute challenged in this action. *See Junior Sports Mags. v. Bonta*, No. 2:22-cv-04663-  
3 CAS-JC, ECF No. 84 (C.D. Cal. Oct. 1, 2025) (order entering preliminary injunction). Defendant  
4 is also actively engaged in settlement discussions in that case and, like here, significant progress  
5 has been made.

6 Dated: January 12, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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16 Dated: January 12, 2026

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Case Name: **Safari Club International, et al.** No. **2:22-cv-01395-DAD-JDP**  
**v. Rob Bonta**

I hereby certify that on January 12, 2026, I electronically filed the following documents with the Clerk of the Court by using the CM/ECF system:

### JOINT STATUS REPORT

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Cecilia Apodaca

Declarant

*/s/ Cecilia Apodaca*

Signature